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| Application No. 09/920,571 |) | Art Unit: 1637 |
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| AMPLIFICATION OF NUCLEIC |) | |
| ACID SEQUENCES" |) | |

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Sir:

This Amendment and Response to Office Action is responsive to the Office Action dated February 14, 2005 issued regarding the above-referenced patent application. This Response is being filed as the submission in a Request for Continued Examination pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.114. Pursuant to MPEP § 706.07(h)V, Applicant states that the Amendment and Response to Office Action filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 on May 31, 2005 should not be entered.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this Amendment.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this Amendment.